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68. (New) A method of producing a plant, the method comprising incorporating nucleic acid according to any one of claims 49 to 54 into a plant cell and regenerating a plant from said plant cell.

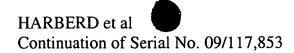
69. (New) A method of influencing a characteristic of a plant, which characteristic is selected from plant growth and flowering time, the method comprising causing or allowing expression from heterologous nucleic acid according to any one of claims 49 to 54 within cells of the plant.

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended to include the Sequence Listing submitted herewith on separate sheets. Entry of the Sequence Listing does not raise the issue of new matter as the sequence information contained therein is presented in the application as originally filed. The computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith is believed to be the same as the attached paper copy of that Listing.

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